

City of Nashua
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
City Hall

The Nashua City Council met in regular session on July 1, 2024, at Council Chambers City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM with Mayor Kelleher III presiding. Council members present were Peggy Hall, Jake Johnson, and Dan Zwanziger. Sam Johnson arrived just after roll call. Ernie Willsher was absent. City employee(s) City Clerk John Ott was present along with Water/Wastewater Operator Brian Glasgow and Park Board Representative Dennis Niedert. There were also 4 guests in attendance.

Mayor Kelleher called for a motion to approve the regular agenda after amending to remove 24-43 Resolution Appointing Downtown/Main St. Committee Members. J. Johnson/M, S. Johnson/S, M/C to approve the amended agenda. RC: 4 ayes (Willsher absent).

Mayor Kelleher asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes from the regular meeting June 17, 2024; Permits: Building Permits – 96 Amherst, 123 Madison St., 209 Lakeshore Dr., and 414 Wentling St.

Consent Calendar Payment of Claims (June 13-26, 2024) \$70,011.31 + \$12,476.21 (Wages). J. Johnson/M, S. Johnson/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes (Willsher absent).

Mayor Kelleher called for public comments: A resident talked about a tree overhanging his roof that is owned by a neighboring property. The council informed them that there isn't anything the city can do because it is a private matter; however Hall recommended he call his insurance company if he thought it may fall on his roof because they may contact the other party about having it removed.

Jonathan Clark an applicant for the Water/Wastewater Supervisor position introduced himself to the council and discussed with the council the job opportunity, wages, benefits, etc. After discussion, it was determined that the council and Jonathan wouldn't be able to come to an agreement on terms of employment.

Hearings/Resolutions

City Clerk Ott reminded the council of the public hearing for Notice on Dangerous Building 123 Lexington set for July 15th; public hearing on proposed contract documents for the Nashua dam apron repair set for August 5th. S. Johnson/M, J. Johnson/S, M/C to set a public hearing for opening bids for Main St. Demolition Projects for August 5, 2024. RC: 4 ayes (Willsher absent).

Mayor Kelleher called for a motion to pass the following resolution(s): 24-44 Resolution Hiring Water Wastewater Operator Jonathan Clark. There were no motions. 24-45 Resolution Hiring Water/Wastewater Affidavit Operator Steven Hoembrecker for \$3,500/Month. S. Johnson/M, Hall/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes (Willsher absent).

Business of the Mayor:

Mayor Kelleher noted that there are some trees that are overhanging the road, and this is the property owner's responsibility. He will be contacting the property owners about getting them trimmed up. He also wanted to inform the citizens that vehicles that sit for more than 30 days are considered junk. He recommended that people with junk vehicles should do what they can to make them not look derelict by pumping up the tires, mowing around them, etc. He said he would work with citizens on that, but there are quite a few around town and now they are getting weeds growing around them and stuff and need to be dealt with.

He also informed the citizens that during the flood event he was posting on the city webpage. He was not posting on the Citizens of Nashua page, so if people want to be informed of what is going on, the city Facebook page is the place to look. He also thanked the city crew and all the people involved in making Water Over the Dam Days a success.

Department Reports:

City Clerk Ott wanted to thank all the volunteers for providing their time, equipment and support during the last flooding event. He also informed the council that the Utility Billing Reconciliation for June had been completed and was ready for review.

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No comments

Dennis Niedert Park Board Representative wanted to acknowledge the city workers Zade, Shea, and Reece for all their hard work. They did an amazing job keeping everything on schedule with both managing the flood and prepping for Water Over the Dam Days. He also wanted to thank all the volunteers for their work in helping with WODD including moving from location to location and keeping everything close to its scheduled time. The council reviewed some of the issues that they have been having at the campground.

Brian Glasgow from Ion Environmental Solutions presented the monthly water/wastewater report to the council.

The Chickasaw County Sheriff had sent the council a monthly report for review.

Discussion/Action

The council discussed and/or acted on several items.

S. Johnson/M, J. Johnson/S, M/C to table discussion on the Nashua Area EMS scheduling proposal until they get more information from the Nashua Area EMS.

The council discussed employee wages. After discussion the council decided it would be best to visit with the employees one on one. Council member J. Johnson will contact them to talk to them one on one.

The council briefly discussed the Codification Questions – Set #2; however, no decisions were made.

The council discussed a dog at large at 600 Wentling Lot #16. Mayor Kelleher said he has been working with the owner of the trailer park and he will pass the complaint to the owner.

The council discussed a waiver of late payment for 723 Greeley St. City Clerk Ott received the payment 14 days after it was postmarked. He had the envelope with the postmark date on it for proof of when it was mailed. J. Johnson/M, S. Johnson/S, M/C to approve waiving the late payment fee. RC: 4 ayes (Willsher absent).

Other Business:

City Clerk Ott updated the council on the website design. He informed the council that he had been communicating with the company that was awarded the bid; however lately he has reached out multiple times and has not received a response. He wanted to let the council know that he may have to rebid the project. J. Johnson/M that City Clerk Ott should make the call on what is the best thing to do. S. Johnson/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes (Willsher absent).

The council also discussed modifying the job posting for the Water/Wastewater Supervisor position including a wage range of \$50,000 – \$80,000 depending on qualifications and certification level for water and wastewater.

City Clerk Ott presented two bills for council approval that were not listed on the claims report. An invoice for Moser Grinding \$7,158.00 for grinding at the brush site and an invoice from Quality Pump and Control for a gear drive that was an urgent repair at the wastewater treatment plant for \$2,620. S. Johnson/M, J. Johnson/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes (Willsher absent).
There was no other business:

S. Johnson/M to adjourn, J. Johnson/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes (Willsher absent). The meeting adjourned at 9:02PM.

Pending Approval by Council
John Ott

CLAIMS REPORT (JUNE 13-26, 2024)

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
LINCOLN SAVINGS BANK	HSA	\$1,400.00
DELTA DENTAL OF IOWA	DENTAL INS JULY '24	\$272.78
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	CH-FY'24/25 DUES	\$1,240.00
JED ROCK & SAND LLC	PARK - ROCK	\$166.21
JENDRO SANITATION SERVICE	GAR/REC JUNE '24	\$12,126.72
MURPHY, COE, AND SMITH	CH-TREASURER APRIL '24	\$180.00
OTT, JOHN	CH- REIMB MUNICIPAL PROF ACAD	\$1,026.72
SENNER, ANN L	WC-BATTERIES	\$33.98
SIMMONS PERRINE MOYER BERGMAN	DAM-LEGAL EXP REPAIRSS MAY '24	\$3,204.40
SUPERIOR WELDING SUPPLY CO	AMB - SUPPLIES	\$90.00
WEDEKING ELECTRIC LLC	SWR-GENERATOR PUMP	\$342.57
BLUE CROSS WELLMARK	HEALTH IN - JULY '24	\$5,278.83
CHICKASAW COUNTY SHERIFF OFFIC	PD-QTR1FY'25(JUL-SEPT '24)	\$31,281.25
HAWKINS, INC.	WTR-CHEMICALS	\$90.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	ELECT/GAS JUNE '24	\$6,137.85
UNPLUGGED WIRELESS COMMUNICATI	FD-BELT CLIP	\$70.00
IPERS	REGULAR IPERS	\$3,982.10
IRS - USA TAX PAYMENT	FED/FICA TAX	\$2,742.11
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	STATE TAX	\$345.79
Accounts Payable Total		\$70,011.31
Payroll Checks		\$12,476.21
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		\$82,487.52
GENERAL FUND		\$60,058.97
LAKE/DAM		\$59.96
URBAN REVITAL		\$10.00
ROAD USE		\$3,336.90
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT		\$2,137.18
DAM REPAIR-AFTER FEMA		\$3,204.40
WATER		\$6,186.67
SEWER		\$7,493.44
TOTAL FUNDS		\$82,487.52